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RESPONSE TO THE NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 22, 2004

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending claims in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending. Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-7, 11-14 and 17-23 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,955,058 to Jager et al. ("Jager") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,296,156 to Lasserre et al. ("Lasserre"), and claims 8-10 and 15-16 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Jager and Lasserre, and in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,149,892 to Britto. The Office Action also provisionally rejects claims 1-16 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over copending Application No. 10/290,225 in view of Lasserre, and copending Application No. 10/244,519 in view of Lasserre.